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Applicant: Billing-Medel et al.

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Examiner: N. Johnson

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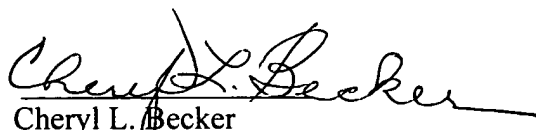
Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement contained in the Office Action of
September 4, 1998, Applicants respectfully elect Group II (i.e., claims 10-16, 25, 30, 35
and 38-39), with traverse.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above, she is respectfully
requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
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